

## ABORN WILL OPEN SEASON OF OPERA ON MONDAY NIGHT

'La Boheme' and 'La Tosca' for Double Bill At National.

With Puccini's two popular operas, "La Boheme" and "La Tosca," the spring season of the Aborn English Grand Opera Company will begin at the National Theater Monday night. The double bill for the opening week is particularly attractive, and also contains a real novelty, as it is the first time since "La Tosca" has been sung here, and the opera is one which is very melodious and also intensely dramatic.

The cast announced for the week includes Elena Kirmes and Edna McGowan, prima donna sopranos. This McGowan, who has been singing with great success in grand opera abroad, while Salvatore Sciarretti and Albert Amadi will alternate in the tenor roles. Other artists who will sing in "Boheme" and "Tosca" are Clifton Webb, Robert Corcoran, James Stevens, George Phillips, Arthur Green, and John Mercer. The orchestra will be directed by Almerico Vinaccia.

This season the chorus will be larger than other seasons, and the greatest care has been exercised by the Messrs. Aborn to have only trained singers in the chorus who are thoroughly familiar with the operas. Karl Schroeder will have charge of the stage for the first week.

### COLUMBIA

Those who have read George Randolph Chester's now famous novel, "The Making of Bobby Burnit," will be delighted to learn that the comedy will be the offering of the Columbia Players at the Columbia Theater beginning Monday evening. For the dramatic version the stage is indebted to Winchell Smith, who in "Bobby Burnit" has outdone himself in the perfection of his work. "Bobby Burnit" is one of those rare comedies that charms no less with its philosophy than with its humor; that does not permit the magnitude of the business enterprise involved in its plot to detract from the beauty of the love story which is the most delightful portion of it; and that while it amuses sends one away after the performance with a satisfaction that has no parallel and with an increased admiration for his fellow-man that can but mellow and warm to character. The play will fit the Columbia Players to perfection, and the claim is made that nothing in which the company has yet been seen will approach it in popular appeal to the high class audiences that throng the Columbia.

### POLI PLAYERS

The cordiality of the reception which the Washington public tendered the Poli Players in their presentation of "Nobody's Widow" this week, has had the effect of inspiring the company with great confidence in the even greater popularity of their second week's offering, which will be "The Virginian." "The Virginian" is probably the most popular Western drama ever produced in the American stage, being a dramatization of Owen Wister's best seller of the same name. Some idea of the acting opportunities to be found in "The Virginian" may be had from the fact that the play has made two stars of international reputation—Dustin Farnum and W. S. Hart. Mr. Van Buren, leading man of the Poli Players, will enact the title role, and Miss Izetta Jewel will have the role of Molly Wood, the schoolmarm.

The Poli policy of daily matinees except Monday has met with immediate favor.

### BUTTERFIELD PLAYERS

For the second week of the Butterfield Players at the Belasco Theater, "The Spendthrift" has been chosen. It is the play by Porter Emerson Browne which was credited with being the most widely discussed drama of the day when it was making big success in New York and Chicago. It deals with a well known feature of modern life—the story of a man who can spend much more money than his husband can possibly earn. The story is that of Richard and Frances Ward. He is a prosperous stock broker of working and house loving instincts. She is a butterfly to whom a new gown and a new motor car are matters of the utmost importance. By humoring her whims, Richard brings himself to a state of ruin. The wife cannot understand retrenchment and precipitates herself into an almost insupportable difficulty when she borrows a large sum of money from a well-known rogue. By this she estranges herself from her husband. The working out of the problem is done in a unique manner, and has a happy conclusion.

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"East Lynne," one of the greatest emotional dramas of the present generation, and Saturday, with Mary Emerson in the week commencing Monday with the usual matinees on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, with Mary Emerson in the leading role of Lady Isobel. "East Lynne" is a play that will never die and appeals to every class of playgoers. The serious element mingled with comedy forming a combination that seldom falls to touch a responsive chord in the hearts of playgoers.

### GAYETY

Al Reeves' Big Beauty Show will be the attraction at the Gayety next week. Among the principals who will assist Mr. Reeves in maintaining the comedy and vocal interest of the two-act musical burlesque called "Conquero," are Andy Lewis, Marie Branden, the dancer and singer; Zella Russell, the piano.

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## MINSTREL SHOW TO BE GIVEN FOR ROCKVILLE MASONS

Young Men of Maryland  
Town Plan Old-Fashioned Entertainment.

ROCKVILLE, Md., April 18.—Funeral services for Walter V. Magaha, who died at his home, near Cabin John, this county, of tuberculosis, were held at 11 o'clock this morning in the Southern Methodist Church at Potomac, the pastor officiating. The interment was in the cemetery near the church. St. John's Lodge, No. 11, F. A. A. M., of which Mr. Magaha was a member, attended in a body.

Mr. Magaha was about thirty-five years old and was a son of John W. Magaha. He was married to Miss Jennie Riley, of this county, and one child.

A number of the young men of Rockville will give a minstrel performance in the Rockville opera house tomorrow evening for the benefit of the Rockville lodge of Masons. Those who will take part are Dr. George L. Edmonds, James P. Allen, William C. Beck, Jr., John Brewer, Wilson Ward, Edward Greene, William C. Beck, Jr., Rache Albert, Stephen Quigley, Charles G. Myers, Harry Dawson, Matt Hamilton, L. R. Watson, Marshall Darby, Byron White, Neely Bean, William F. Frettingham, Walter Williams, Mr. Hendrey, Dr. Pope, Osgood Holmes, Masters Harry and John Dawson. Miss Mary Almonney will be the pianist.

Charles Wilbur Hawkins and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Hipsley, both of Etchison, this county, were married in Rockville yesterday afternoon by Rev. S. R. White, of the Baptist Church, at the home of the minister.

Funeral services for Hanson H. Ricketta, one of the oldest and best-known citizens of Darnestown, Md., were held in the Darnestown Presbyterian church yesterday morning, a very large gathering attending. The services were conducted by Rev. O. A. Gillingham.

pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. J. Harry Smith, pastor of Grace Methodist Church, Gaithersburg. The interment was in the cemetery near the church.

When the sheriff of Washington county took an inventory of a bunch of prisoners he was conveying to the house of correction and penitentiary just as his train was leaving the station at Boyds, this county, yesterday morning he discovered that he was short one. He was informed that the missing man had just jumped through an open window and had started on a run toward a piece of woods near the railroad track. The sheriff later in the day requested the sheriff of this county to have his deputies make a search. The fugitive was convicted of stealing a ride on a railroad train and was sentenced to a term in the house of correction.

Winfield S. Magruder is the latest person to enter the contest for the Rockville town council, making seven candidates so far in the field, the others being Jacob Posa, John B. Brewer, Thomas C. Groomes, Joseph L. Cleggett, Clifford H. Robertson, and Dr. George L. Edmonds. Others will announce their candidacy later, and a lively fight is looked for.

## Amateurs to Give Play At Parish Hall Tonight

Tonight and tomorrow night, at Trinity Parish Hall, the two-act play, "Cinderella," will be given by sixty amateurs for the benefit of the church fund. "Poor Pillioddy," a one-act farce, also will be given.

The characters are: Cinderella, Miss Selena McDonald; Patience, Miss Evelyn Lillian Denny; Charity, Miss Marie Booth Covert; Fairy Godmother, Miss Elizabeth Kibbey; Lady Gipsy, Miss Caroline Habers; Prince W. T. Ashby, papa, George S. Whitmore, and courtier, Clifton E. Carpenter. Those to take part in farce, "Poor Pillioddy," are Sidney W. Wallace, as Mr. Pillioddy, a car trunk on which as Captain O'Scuttle, and Miss Elizabeth Kibbey as Mrs. Pillioddy; Miss Majorie Middleton, as Mrs. O'Scuttle, and Miss Mary E. Van Fossen as Sarah Blunt.

## Hand Mashed In Machine.

While operating a hair picking machine in the mattress factory of L. T. Jones, 633 H street northwest, yesterday afternoon, James W. Robey, thirty-eight years old, of Twinning City, caught his left hand in the cog wheels and had his fingers badly mashed. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital in an ambulance.

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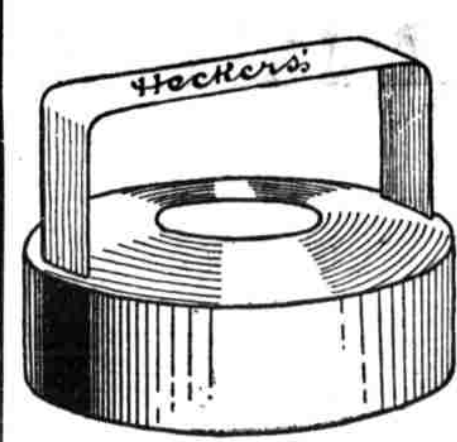
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